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SUBJECT: US POSITION ON REDUCED DEPENDENCE OBJECTIVES

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1. MISSION OFFICER HAD FURTHER CONVERSATION ON NOVEMBER 4 REGARDING ASSISTANT SECRETARY KATZ' MESSAGE WITH GEORGES BRONDEL, DIRECTOR FOR OIL AND GAS IN THE EC COMMISSION'S DIRECTORATE GENERAL FOR ENERGY. (AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED, BRONDEL WILL REPRESENT THE EC AT THE NOVEMBER 8-9 IEA GOVERNING BOARD MEETING.) WHEN ASKED FOR REACTIONS TO THE U.S. PROPOSAL, HE OBSERVED ON A PERSONAL BASIS THAT OUR PROPOSAL ON REDUCED DEPENDENCE OBJECTIVES SEEMED TO REQUIRE A DEGREE OF SACRIFICE OF NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY IN THE ENERGY AREA WHICH WOULD PROBABLY NOT BE ACCEPTABLE TO ALL IEA MEMBERS. WITH REGARD TO THE EC VIEW, HOWEVER, HE STATED THAT IN THIS CASE IT IS DIFFICULT FOR THE COMMISSION TO OFFER ADVANCE COMMENTS WITHOUT FULL CONSULTATIONS WITH EC MEMBER STATES WHO ARE ALSO MEMBERS OF IEA. IT NOW APPEARS THAT THIS WILL NOT TAKE PLACE UNTIL JUST

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BEFORE THE NOVEMBER 8-9 IEA MEETING GETS UNDER

WAY. BRONDEL FURTHER STATED THAT HE EXPECTS THIS
CONCULSTATION WILL BE RATHER GENERAL IN NATURE,
SINCE IT APPEARS THAT MEMBER STATES HAVE DIFFERING
OPINIONS ON THE REDUCED DEPENDENCE OBJECTIVES
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